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In the application of:

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For: METHODS OF TREATING HYPERTENSION
AND COMPOSITIONS FOR USE THEREIN

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**DECLARATION OF GEORGE F. SCHREINER, M.D., PH.D.
UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.132**

Commissioner for Patents
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Dear Sir:

I, George F. Schreiner, declare as follows:

1. I am Senior Vice President of Scios Research & Development and Chief Scientific & Medical Officer at Scios, Inc., the assignee of the present application. I hold a M.D. from Harvard Medical School and a Ph.D. in Immunology from Harvard University. I have been working in the field of cardiovascular disease and nephrology for over 24 years. A copy of my *curriculum vitae* is attached (Exhibit 3).

2. In accordance with standard procedures recognized as significant by workers in the field of hypertension, the effect of administering vascular endothelial growth factor to animals presenting elevated blood pressure as a result of the expression of the VEGF receptor sFlt(1-3) was observed as described below.

3. An adenovirus was engineered to express the soluble VEGF receptor sFlt(1-3). This construct expresses the first three IgG-like domains of sFlt-1. The expressed portion of the

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receptor includes the VEGF binding domain but omits domains 4-6, which include the regions responsible for receptor dimerization. A schematic of Flt-1 and the soluble form, sFlt-1, is shown in Exhibit 1A. Sequence analysis of the mouse and human Flt-1 and sFlt-1 at the truncation site that makes the receptor soluble is shown in Exhibit 1B.

4. The engineered adenovirus was used to infect a control group and a treated group, with six rats in each group. Both groups were injected in the tail vein with 1×10^9 plaque forming units (pfu) of the adenovirus engineered to express sFlt(1-3). On the second day after viral injection, animals were randomized to receive VEGF₁₂₁ (100 mg/kg body weight) or phosphate buffered saline (PBS) subcutaneously twice a day for 7 days. On the 7th day after the morning VEGF injection, animals were cannulated for blood pressure measurement and blood was drawn. Plasma samples were analyzed for the presence of sFlt(1-3) and to detect free VEGF using an ELISA assay (data not shown).

5. Blood pressure measurements were taken from the animals in each group. Rats have a resting systolic pressure of about 120 mmHg and a resting diastolic pressure of about 84 mmHg. As shown in Exhibit 2, animals in the control group had elevated systolic and diastolic blood pressures. Animals treated with VEGF showed reduced blood pressure relative to the control group. The blood pressure measurements from the control group of rats approached normal levels. All rats involved in the study were maintained on a diet of standard rat chow, which is low in dietary salt.

6. The results provided above demonstrate that VEGF is a useful in lowering blood pressure in an animal model of hypertension that is not salt-dependent.

I declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further, that these statements are made with the knowledge that willful, false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States

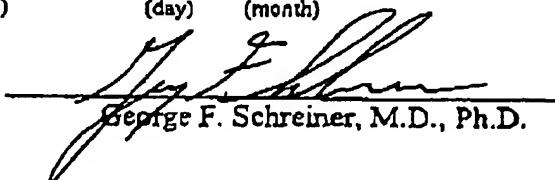
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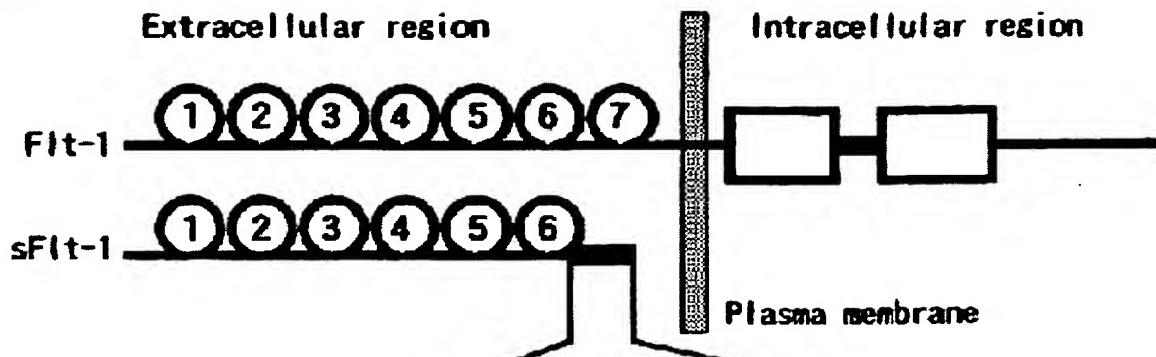
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EXHIBIT 1

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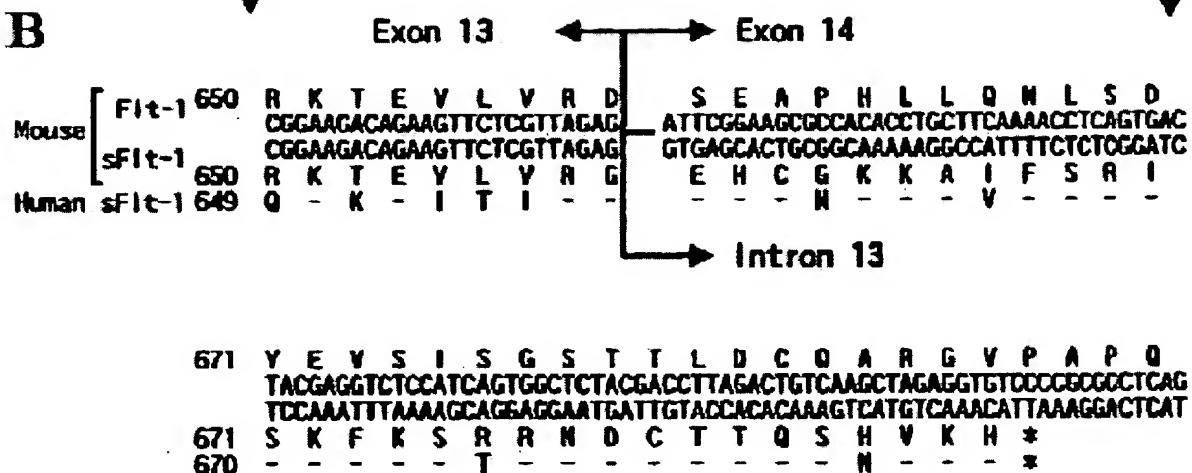
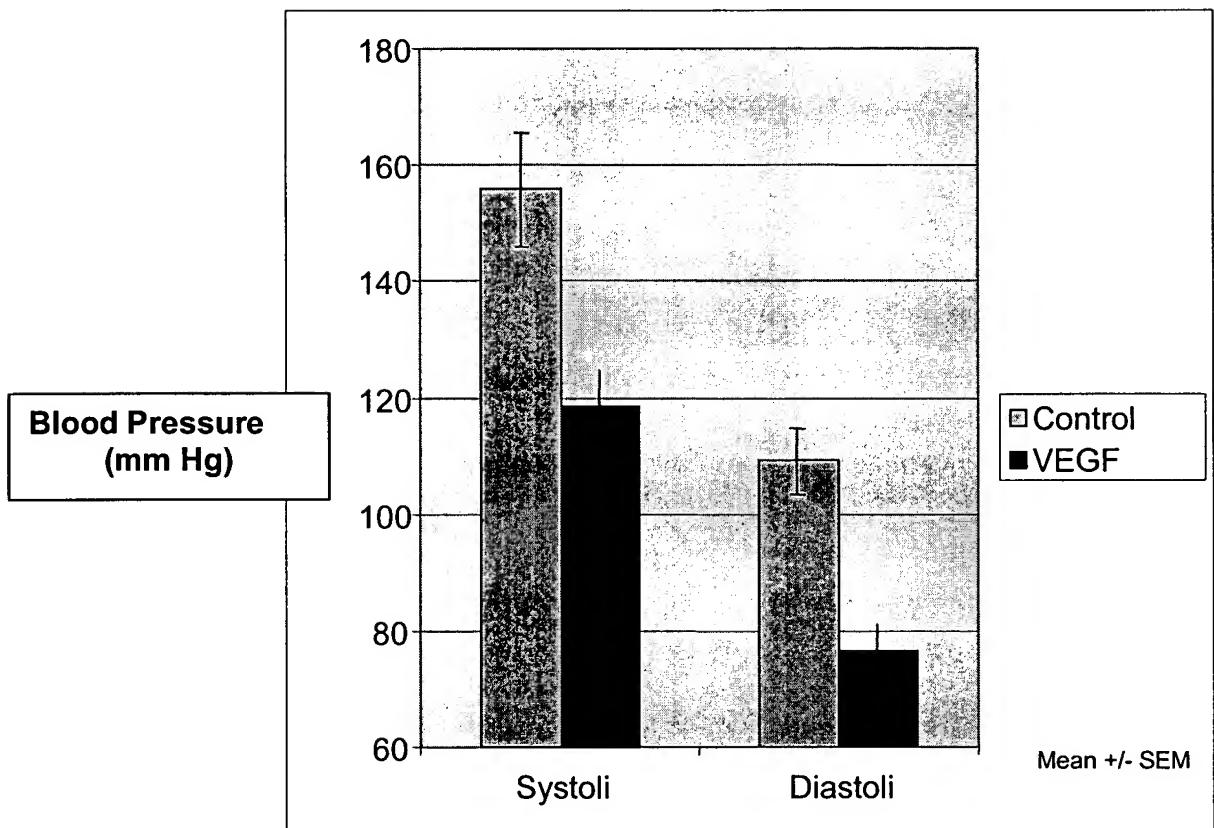


EXHIBIT 2



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EDUCATION

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Responsibilities: (a) All research operations, including medicinal chemist
(b) Preclinical development of drug candidates
(c) Strategic clinical development of novel drug candidates
(d) Development of new indications for currently marketed drugs

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Responsibilities: (a) Established disease-based research program focusing on inflammation, cardiac and pulmonary diseases, and progressive renal failure.
(b) Technical supervision of functional genomics, molecular and cellular biology, pharmacology, pathology, high throughput screening, preclinical development.
(b) Established focus on small molecule kinase inhibitors and recombinant protein therapeutics

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ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS

1980-1982	Instructor in Pathology, Department of Pathology, Harvard Medical School, Boston, Massachusetts
1982-1985	Assistant Professor of Pathology, Department of Pathology, Harvard Medical School, Boston, Massachusetts
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POSTDOCTORAL TRAINING

1977-1980	Medical Resident, Peter Bent Brigham Hospital, Boston, Massachusetts
1982-1983	Fellow, Renal Division, Brigham and Women's Hospital, Boston, Massachusetts

RESEARCH FELLOWSHIPS

1973-1974	Fellow, Karen Grunebaum Foundation
1977-1980	Research Fellow, Department of Pathology, Harvard Medical School, Boston, Massachusetts
1980-1982	Fellow, Arthritis Foundation

CERTIFICATION	American Board of Medicine Internal Medicine Nephrology
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HONORS/AWARDS/OFFICES

1985 Established Investigator, American Heart Association

1989-1990 Chairman, Midwest Section, American Federation for Clinical Research

1989-1990 Co-Chairman, Public Policy Committee, American Federation for Clinical Research

1990 American Society for Clinical Investigation

1991-1992 Chairman, Public Policy Committee, American Federation for Clinical Research

1992 Member, Council on Glomerular Diseases, National Kidney Foundation

1991-1996 Assistant Editor, American Journal of Kidney Diseases

HOSPITAL APPOINTMENTS

1980-1985 Junior Associate in Medicine, Brigham and Women's Hospital, Boston, Massachusetts

1986-1993 Associate Physician, Barnes Hospital, St. Louis, Missouri

1986-1988 Assistant Director of the Renal Transplant Service, Department of Medicine, Barnes Hospital, St. Louis, Missouri

MEMBERSHIPS IN PROFESSIONAL SOCIETIES

1978 American Association of Immunologists

1982 The American Society of Nephrology

1982 American Society of Pathologists

1983 International Society of Nephrology

1987 American Federation for Clinical Research

1988 National Kidney Foundation

1990 American Society for Clinical Investigation

PATENTS

US 5,631,260 Xanthine epoxides as A₁ adenosine receptor agonists and antagonists

US 5,663,450 Macrophage lipid chemoattractant

US 5,668,139 A₁ adenosine receptor agonists and antagonists

US 5,789,416 N⁶-mono heterocyclic substituted adenosine derivatives

US 5,840,875 Kidney Na/PO₄ cotransporter antisense oligonucleotide

US 5,869,537 Macrophage lipid chemoattractant

US 6,130,235 Compounds and methods to treat cardiac failure and other disorders

US 6,184,226 Quinazoline derivatives as inhibitors of p-38 alpha.

US 6,277,989 Quinazoline derivatives as medicaments

US 6,340,685 Compounds and methods to treat cardiac failure and other disorders

US 6,342,495 Agonists and antagonists of peripheral-type benzodiazepine receptors

US 6,352,975 Methods of treating hypertension and compositions for use therein

US 6,380,183 Treatment of diseases involving cyst formation

US 6,410,540 Inhibitors of p38 alpha kinase

US 6,340,685 B1 Compounds to treat cardiac failure

US 6,541,477 B2 Inhibitors of p38-alpha kinase

US 6,589,954 B1 Compounds and methods to treat cardiac failure and other disorders

US 6,677,300 B1 Treatment of Microvascular Angiopathies

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